

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
MADDOCK CITY COUNCIL  
April 21, 2026**

A special meeting of the Maddock City Council was held April 21, 2026. Mayor Sarah Dove called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. at city hall. Present for roll call were council members Bradley Hermanson, DeeDee Olson, Dusty Pierson and Teresa Dosch. Also in attendance was Keith Winson.

Discussion was held regarding the ongoing relationship between the city of Maddock and Central Plains Water District (CPWD). CPWD has requested that the city limit its involvement in the water treatment plant construction project to that of a customer and water consumer. City representatives will no longer attend construction meetings or participate in the day-to-day operations of the interim water treatment plant.

The council directed Keith Winson to limit his involvement with project personnel to emergency situations only. All other inquiries or concerns are to be directed to the city office or the city council. The city council will work directly with Terry Morrow, CPWD director, and the CPWD board to address all questions, concerns and contractual matters.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m. The next regular council meeting will be held on May 12, 2026 at 6 p.m.

Sarah Dove  
Mayor

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES  
OF REGULAR MEETING  
MADDOCK CITY COUNCIL  
May 12, 2026**

A regular meeting of the Maddock City Council was held May 12, 2026. Mayor Sarah Dove called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. at city hall. Present for roll call were council members Bradley Hermanson, Dusty Pierson, Teresa Dosch, and DeeDee Olson (via phone). Also in attendance were Jamie Green, Keith Winson, Rachel Markestad and Cathy Faleide.

A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson, to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2026 regular meeting and the minutes of the April 21, 2026 special meeting. All voted yes; the motion carried.

A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Olson, to approve the following bills. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Wages	\$6,643.96
BCBS	4,293.30
BC Farmers Press	63.00
BC Farmers Press	221.28
BC Sheriff's Office	600.00
ConDak	529.51
CPWD	271.62
Double M Sanitation	6,175.00
GF Utility	26.00
Keith Winson	139.04
Lowe's Floral	15,740.41
Maddock Opera House	200.00
MRES	200.00
NAPA	77.08
ND Sewage Pump & Lift Station	625.00
Normont Equipment	375.14
Quill	1,214.41
Rath & Mehrer, PC	11,000.00
USPO	936.00
Vestis	109.14
Visa	177.72
NDPERS	2,513.94
ND Telephone Co.	420.43
Northern Plains Elec.	31,351.77
Western Area Power Admin.	7,620.60

Keith Winson's Report --  
• 120 curb stops have been inspected.

• He has contacted a contractor to repair any curb stops requiring repair.  
• Tri-State Paving has accessed the streets that need repair.

Jamie Green's Report --  
• He reported that the curb stop inspection will not be completed by the May 15 deadline suggested by the city council.  
• He has been busy with the tree planting project.

• He presented a bid from Alex Brandvold Construction for steel siding on the city office.  
• He presented a bid and drawings for a manhole cover at the RV park.

The council set a new deadline for the curb stop inspection to be completed by May 29, 2026, with repairs by a contractor to be completed by July 1, 2026.

The council declined the bid from Alex Brandvold Construction and requested that the public works department complete the siding project.

Rachel Marketstad and Cathy Faleide presented updates on behalf of the 125th Celebration committee. Topics discussed included:

• Thirty-five volunteers from NSCCU will be in Maddock on June 19 to assist with community projects.

Cathy has started a list of projects for the city parks, museum building and other areas throughout town.

• The museum board would like to paint over the mural on the museum building.

• Discussion was held regarding RV parking arrangements for the event.

• A memorandum of understanding with the school was discussed.

• Volunteers are being sought to assist with landscaping pavers at the south Maddock sign.

• An update was provided on the pocket park project.

The city will seek alternate RV parking locations within town for the 125th Celebration, as the campground is already fully booked during that time.

Pam Lee's Report --  
• She reported that an amendment to the Energy Efficiency Grant is being prepared for additional LED street lights and shop lights that were previously omitted.

• She also reported that a USDA grant application is being prepared for ADA compliance improvements.  
The council members each gave a portfolio report.

A motion was made by Dosch, seconded by Hermanson, to approve the sewer back-up and water main break coverage endorsement. All voted yes; the motion carried.

The council requested and received an update from Ansel Hakanson regarding the water treatment plant project. After discussion, the council expressed a desire to continue communication with Central Plains Water District (CPWD) regarding matters involving the water treatment plant. The council directed Pam Lee to arrange a special meeting with Terry Morrow, CPWD manager, CPWD board member(s) and the project manager to discuss maintaining communication between CPWD and the city.

The council reviewed the water tower inspection report from H&H Coating. Keith Winson suggested adding several additional items to the list of recommended repairs. He will contact H&H Coating to discuss the additions and obtain an updated quote for consideration in the 2027 annual budget.

A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Olson, directing all city employees to complete weekly status reports, daily activity logs and work plans. All voted yes; the motion carried.

There were five building permits presented as follows:

1. Laura Stadum -- removal of basement block walls, replacement with wood walls and work on an existing patio.
2. Kyle and Vernetta Erickson -- window replacement.
3. Paxton Neppel -- construction of a 6'x11' concrete dog kennel pad.
4. Keith and Laura Winson -- new concrete driveway.
5. Blair Pforr -- 10'x12' metal building to be moved onto the property and construction of an 8'x12' greenhouse.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Hermanson, to approve all building permits. All voted yes; the motion carried.

A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson, to approve two gaming permits, one for the Maddock Opera House Association and another for the Maddock A. S. Gibbens FFA. All voted yes; the motion carried.

There were four special event permits presented as follows:

1. Old 281 Tavern -- Lunde/Slikker wedding dance.
2. RRF/125th Celebration -- fireworks display.
3. Harriman's Restaurant/Bobcat Bar-beer gardens.
4. Harriman's Restaurant/Bobcat Bar -- Benson/Ripplinger wedding.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Pierson, to approve all special event permits. All voted yes; the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m. The next regular council meeting will be June 9, 2026 at 6 p.m.

Pamela Lee  
City Auditor

Sarah Dove  
Mayor

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES  
OF SPECIAL MEETING  
MADDOCK CITY COUNCIL  
May 19, 2026**

A special meeting of the Maddock City Council was held May 19, 2026. Mayor Sarah Dove called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. at city hall. Present for roll call were council members Bradley Hermanson, DeeDee Olson, Dusty Pierson and Teresa Dosch. Also in attendance was Keith Winson.

The reason for the special meeting was to discuss the public works superintendent position following the resignation of Keith Winson, effective May 26, 2026.

After discussion regarding the position, the council contacted Winson to see if he would attend the special meeting to help outline the duties for the public works superintendent job description.

Teresa Dosch left the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

The council discussed hiring summertime help. A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Pierson, to hire summertime help at a rate of \$15 per hour. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Pam Lee was directed to advertise the public works superintendent position in the Benson County Farmers Press, ND Job Service, ND League of Cities, Devils Lake Journal, ND Rural Water Association, city app, city Facebook page and the city website. Applications will be accepted until July 1, 2026 at 4 p.m. A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Pierson, to approve advertising the position. All voted yes; the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Pamela Lee  
City Auditor

Sarah Dove  
Mayor

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES  
OF SPECIAL MEETING  
MADDOCK CITY COUNCIL  
May 26, 2026**

A special meeting of the Maddock City Council was held May 26, 2026. Mayor Sarah Dove called the special meeting to order at 6 p.m. at city hall. Present for roll call were council members Bradley Hermanson, Dusty Pierson, Teresa Dosch, and DeeDee Olson via phone. Also in attendance were Chris Arnston and Terry Morrow. The purpose of the special

meeting was to discuss:

- Maintaining communications between the city and Central Plains Water District (CPWD) regarding the water treatment plant
  - Special event permit
  - Summertime employment
- Terry Morrow and Chris Arnston were present on behalf of the Central Plains Water District (CPWD). Mr. Morrow provided the city council with an update regarding the progress of the water treatment plant project.

Mayor Sarah Dove discussed concerns regarding communication between the city and CPWD. Alderwoman DeeDee Olson asked if the city could receive the biweekly CPWD meeting minutes and whether city council members would be permitted to attend CPWD meetings if they wished. Mr. Morrow agreed and stated that council members were welcome to attend meetings. He requested that any questions be asked after the meetings and noted that council members were welcome to contact him directly with questions at any time.

Mr. Arnston suggested that once the project is completed, the city council could participate in a walkthrough of the facility.

A motion was made by Dosch, seconded by Hermanson, to approve the special event permit for Harriman's/Bobcat Bar for the NSCCU annual meeting. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Summertime employment was discussed. A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Pierson, to hire Bryce Melaas for summertime employment. All voted yes; the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Pamela Lee  
City Auditor

Sarah Dove  
Mayor

**SUMMONS**  
IN DISTRICT COURT, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, NORTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF BENSON  
Civil No. 03-2026-CV-00029  
PAR Family Farm, LLC

Plaintiff,

vs.

Estate of Ole Riveland, Dr. Thomas M. Cable, Bernice Cable a/k/a Bernice Adelaide Cable, Cable Family Farm Limited Partnership, Phillip Arnold and Robin Arnold, and all other persons unknown claiming any estate or interest in, or lien or encumbrance upon, the property described in the complaint, whether as heirs, devisees, legatees, or personal representatives of deceased persons,

Defendants.

**THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:**

You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the Complaint in this action, which is herewith served upon you, by serving upon the undersigned an answer or other proper response within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated this 1st day of June, 2026.  
NYHUS LAW FIRM  
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**NOTICE OF  
NO PERSONAL CLAIM**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That this action has been brought for the purpose of quieting title in the Plaintiff in and to the following described real estate located in Benson County and more fully described as:  
Township 151 North, Range 71 West of the 5th P.M.  
Section 20: E1/2NW1/4 and SE1/4 and no personal claim is made against the Defendants above named, or any of them.

Dated this 1st day of June, 2026.  
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(Publish June 4, 11 & 18, 2026)

**St. Peter seeks donations**

The St. Peter Cemetery Association is asking for donations for maintenance and upkeep. Donations may be sent to St. Peter Cemetery Association in care of Kathy Lalum, 6149 47th St. NE, Minnewaukan, ND 58351.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA	BENSON COUNTY
<b>CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT PRIMARY ELECTION JUNE 9, 2026</b>	
<b>ATTENTION! READ BEFORE VOTING POLITICAL PARTY BALLOT</b>	
In a Political Party Primary Election, you may only vote for the candidates of one political party. This ballot contains two political parties; one in each section. If you vote in more than one political party's section, your Political Party Ballot will be rejected; however, all votes on the No Party and Measures Ballots will still be counted.	
To vote for the candidate of your choice, you must darken the oval (●) next to the name of that candidate. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, you must darken the oval (●) next to the blank line provided and write that person's name on the blank line.	
<b>NO-PARTY PRIMARY BALLOT</b>	
<b>Park Board Member Leeds Park Vote for no more than THREE names</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Sloane Follman	
<input type="radio"/> Dustin Paulson	
<input type="radio"/> Bridget Geller	
<input type="radio"/>	
<input type="radio"/>	
<input type="radio"/>	
<b>School Board Member Devils Lake School District Unexpired 1-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Andrew Sogge	
<input type="radio"/>	
<b>School Board Member Devils Lake School District Vote for no more than TWO names</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Emily Foss	
<input type="radio"/> Nathan Kraft	
<input type="radio"/> Cory Meyer	
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<b>MEASURES BALLOT</b>	
Vote by darkening the oval (●) next to the word "YES" or "NO" following the explanation of each measure.	
<b>Constitutional Measure No. 1 (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007, 2025 Session Laws, Ch. 615)</b>	
This constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 9 of article III and section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to requiring each resolution adopted by the legislative assembly proposing a constitutional amendment and each initiative petition and measure proposing a constitutional amendment be comprised of a single subject. The proposed amendment is summarized as follows: constitutional amendments would be limited to one subject. The Secretary of State shall not approve an initiative petition for circulation if the Secretary determines that the proposed amendment comprises more than one subject. Additionally, the legislative assembly is required to limit proposed amendments to the constitution to one subject.	
The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is none.	
<input type="radio"/> Yes - Means you approve the measure summarized above.	
<input type="radio"/> No - Means you reject the measure summarized above.	
<b>Continue voting other side</b> →	
<b>NOTICE: You may only vote in one political party's section.</b>	
<b>Official Ballot BENSON COUNTY Publication Ballot June 9, 2026</b>	<b>All ballots, other than those used to vote absentee, must first be initialed by appropriate election officials in order to be counted.</b>
Election Official Initials	
Typ:01 Seq:0001 Spl:02	

**Apply for scholarships  
by June 19**

The Edward Nestegard Trust was established after the death of Edward Nestegard of Leeds. The trust provides scholarships to graduates of Leeds High School who are attending NDSU as freshmen or sophomores in an agricultural area of study. Scholarship applications are available at the Leeds school or by contacting the trustee: First United Bank, Attn: Trust Department, PO Box 160, Devils Lake, ND 58301-0160; telephone 701-662-5547 or 1-800-726-0124. The application deadline is June 19.

**Oberon School District**  
**ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS**  
*For a full or part time*  
**Business Manager**

Job duties include:

- Handling payroll
- Reimbursement from federal programs
- Accounts receivable and payable
- Other duties assigned by the school board

Experience:

- A background with finance and/or a working knowledge of the educational finance software program Software Unlimited is preferred but willing to train the right person.

*Interested applicants should send a letter of interest, resumé, two letters of recommendation and any applicable college transcripts that apply to:*

**Oberon School District**  
**P.O. Box 2**  
**Oberon, ND 58357**  
*Oberon Elementary School | 315 A St. | Oberon, ND*